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REMARKS

Claims 1-4 are pending and under consideration in the above-identified application.

It is respectfully submitted that the attached Declaration Of Verlan H. Van Rheen establishes that the prior art references do not disclose how the claimed salts are made nor do they provide any expectation that such salts can be made by routine experimentation. Additionally, Verlan H. Van Rheen's declaration demonstrates the failure of others to fulfill a long-felt need, thereby providing evidence that the invention is not obvious.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the above-identified application is in condition for allowance and notice of the same is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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